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(54) COMPOSITIONS, METHODS AND KITS TO DETECT HERPES SIMPLEX VIRUS NUCLEIC ACIDS

(57) There is disclosed an isolated nucleic acid sequence comprising, consisting, consisting essentially of or substantially corresponding to nucleotides 124 to 230 of SEQ ID NO:1 or nucleotides 113 to 200 of SEQ ID NO:2.

US8 gene US8,5 (US6A)	10 25 36 40 50 60 70 CANTTANGGGTTOTTGTTGTTGCTTTGCTTGTTGGGGGGTTTGTTGGGCCCCC
USB gone USB.5 (USBA)	80 90 100 120 120 140 140 140 140 140 140 140 140 140 14
US8 gene US8,5 (US8A)	159 160 170 180 190 290 210
US8 gene US8.5 (US8A)	220 230 240 250 260 270 280 280 270 270 270 270 270 270 270 270 270 27
USS gene USS.5 (USSA)	250 300 310 320 339 346 350
USS gene USS.5 (USSA)	360 370 380 390 400 410 420
DS8 game US8.5 (US8A)	430 440 450 460 470 480 490 490 490 490 490 490 490 490 490 49
USS gene USS.5 (USSA)	500 510 520 53C 540 55C 56C 56C 56C 56C 56C 56C 56C 56C 56C
USS gene USS.5 (USSA)	579 580 598 600 610 620 630 630 630 630 630 630 630 630 630 63
US8 gene	64C 650 66C 670 68G 690 700
USS gene USS.5 (USBA)	710 720 730 740 750 780 770

FIGURE 1



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